LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

(Currently Amended) <u>The method of claim 20, further comprising</u> A device for thermally cycling a sample, comprising:

at least one heating element:

a disc configured to receive samples; and

a mechanism configured to rotate the disc,

wherein rotation of the disc induces a turbulent airflow between at least a portion of the disc and at least a portion of the heating element.

- (Currently Amended) The method of The device-according to claim
 wherein the turbulent airflow is induced by a turbulence inducing area on the disc.
- (Currently Amended) The method of The device-according to claim
 wherein the turbulence inducing area includes at least one of slots, pegs,
 vanes, staggered vanes, and projections.
- (Currently Amended) The method of The device according to claim
 wherein the turbulent airflow is induced by a turbulence inducing area on the heating element.

- (Currently Amended) The method of The device according to claim
 wherein the turbulence inducing area includes at least one of slots, pegs,
 vanes, staggered vanes, and projections.
- (Currently Amended) The method of The device according to claim
 further comprising excitation optics and detection optics to detect fluorescent light emitted by at least one label in the sample.
- (Currently Amended) The method of The device according to claim
 further comprising a feedback system to control the heating element and provide for substantially uniform heat distribution to at least one sample chamber located on the disc.

8.-13. (Cancelled)

- 14. (Currently Amended) The method of thermally cycling according to claim 43 20, further comprising providing substantial thermal uniformity to at least one sample chamber located on the disc.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method of thermally cycling according to claim 43 20, further comprising exciting a label in at least one sample chamber located on the disc.

 (Currently Amended) The method of thermally cycling according to claim 45 20,further comprising detecting light from the label.

17. -18. (Cancelled)

- (Currently Amended) The method of thermally cycling according to claim 48 20, providing access comprises lifting a lid.
- 20. (Currently Amended) A method of thermally cycling, comprising:

 at least one of introducing and removing heat with a heating element;

 rotating a disc to induce a turbulent airflow; and

 positioning the disc in a device for thermal cycling comprising. The method of thermally cycling according to claim 18, providing access comprises loading a tray to provide access to the interior of the device for thermal cycling.

wherein the disc is configured to receive samples; and
wherein there is an air gap between the disc and the heating element